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TO: ALL HOSPITALS IN IDAHO PROVIDING SWING BED SERVICES

FROM: DEBBY RANSOM, R.N., R.H.I.T., Chief
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SUBJECT: **REVISED APPENDIX T**
INTERPRETIVE GUIDELINES FOR SWING BEDS

Changes to Appendix T, the Interpretive Guidelines for Swing Beds, effective May, 2002, were issued by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS).

Enclosed are copies of the regulations and guidance provided to surveyors. There are no new requirements, but the structure and numbering system has been revised.

Should you have any questions, please contact Sylvia Creswell, QMRP, Supervisor, Non-Long Term Care, at (208) 334-6626.

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Enclosures
cc: Idaho Hospital Association